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£17,537,590
Sinking Fund Account £28,230
£23,970,397
Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,458
Life and Annuity 2,141,693
Branches 337,239
Revenue Marine Department 478,940
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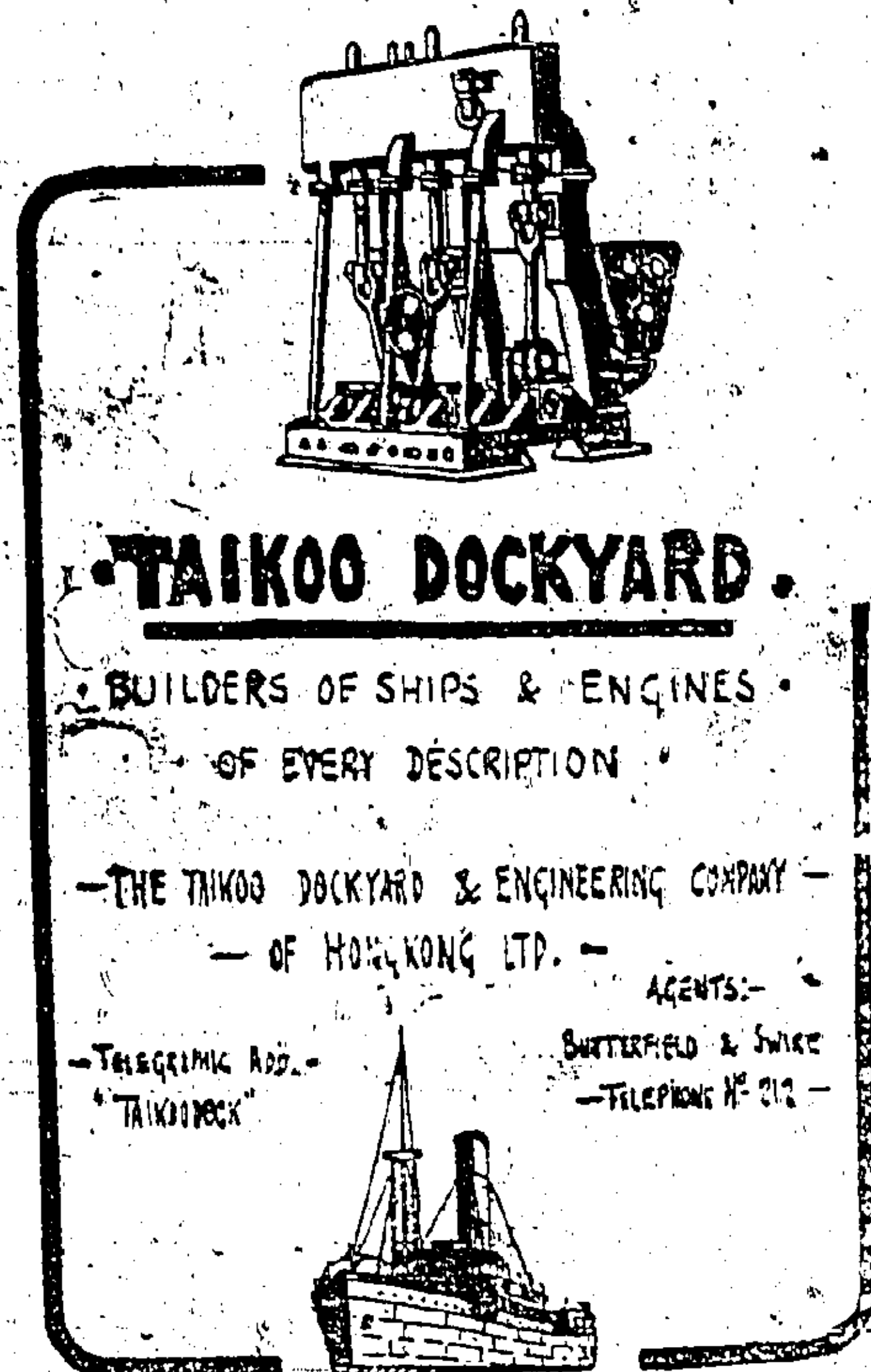
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BRITISH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

WE TAKE AND LOSE WYTSCHAETE.
CEASELESS ENEMY ATTACKS.

London, April 18.
12.35 a.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—

There were intense hostile bom-
bardments this morning on the whole
of the Lys battle-front, followed by
attacks from Forest-de-Nieppe and
Wytscchaete, which were all re-
pulsed, inflicting considerable losses.

Our counter-attacks, reported this
morning, succeeded in entering the
villages of Meteren and Wytscchaete,
but we were unable to maintain the
positions in the face of continued
attacks.

The French are now co-operating
on this front.

BRITISH LINE INTACT ON WHOLE
FRONT.

MANY ATTACKS REPULSED.

London, April 18.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—

There is no change on the British
Front.

During the night there was great
activity by the hostile artillery from
Givenchy to eastward of Robecq and
a heavy bombardment of our posi-
tions between Locon and Robecq
day evening, on the Marris sector.

We repulsed local attacks, yester-
day evening on the Marris sector.
Details of yesterday's fighting on
the Nieppe forest and Wytscchaete
front, establish the severity of the
enemy's losses.

Three waves of German infantry,
attacking south-eastward of Kemmel
Hill, pressed back our line slightly
at one point. A counter-attack
restored the situation and the attack
was repulsed at all points.

Three enemy attacks on the
Baillieu sector were completely
repulsed and our line was intact on
the whole front, yesterday evening.

BELGIAN OFFICIAL REPORT.

SIX HUNDRED GERMANS
CAPTURED.

London, April 18.
12.35 a.m.

A Belgian communiqué states:—
The Germans in force attacked
and obtained a footing in our out-
post system between Blankartpond
and the railway from Ypres to
Thourout.

Our counter-attacks completely
drove the enemy out.

We took 600 prisoners.

GERMAN REPORTS.

London, April 18.
12.35 a.m.

A wireless German official report
states:—

We have occupied Passchendaele
and advanced our lines near Beclere
and Gheluvelt.

We stormed the village of Wyt-
scchaete and drove the enemy from
the heights north-eastward and
westward, repulsing strong counter-
attacks of the enemy, who, while
retreating south-westward of Wul-
verghem, was pressed back across
Douve.

We have captured Baillieu and
Meteren and the stubbornly defended
support point of Cappelynde, north-
ward of Baillieu.

A strong English party, supported
by French forces, vainly endeavoured
to recapture Meteren and the
territory on both sides of Marris.
The attacks broke down with very
heavy losses.

FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

DESPERATE FIRING.

London, April 18.
1.30 a.m.

A French communiqué states:—
There was no infantry action.
The enemy furiously bombarded
our first lines and some villages
north of Montdidier. Our batteries
effectively counter-bombarded.

"THE WING OF SACRIFICE."

A PAEN OF PRAISE OF BRITISH
ARMIES.

WHEN WILL FOCH MAKE HIS
DECISIVE STROKE?

London, April 18.

There is a somewhat more cheer-
ful note in the papers to-day fol-
lowing the reports that the British
are counter-attacking and the indications,
such as the German attack on
Robecq, that the enemy is diverting
his main effort farther south, and
is again threatening Bethune. This
is probably partly due to the fact
that French reinforcements are com-
ing into line, but there is still anxiety
as to when Generalissimo Foch will
make his decisive stroke, now that
the British have stood for four weeks
hammering immense German re-
serves, estimated at 400,000 men, in
a fashion which has led the French
writers to describe the British Armies
as "the wing of sacrifice." Though
all experts do not endorse the opinion
advanced in some quarters that the
advance, which is critical in the
northern theatre, has been definitely
checked, it is agreed that the Ger-
mans have not obtained the decisive
result they aimed at, thanks to the
extreme stubbornness of the British
resistance.

The battle, in fact, appears to be
following the course of the great
series of German thrusts of October,
1914, which ended in the Ypres
Battle, and the failure was then due
to these being no Allied reserve.
That reserve now exists and has not
yet been used.

Probably, there will still be con-
tinuous fluctuations in the northern
area for some time to come, but the
salient fact of the fighting is the
staying power of the British soldier.

He has withstood the severest tests
of the month and the frequency with
which the enemy has been repulsed
at various points and is now being
vigorously counter-attacked is a very
healthy sign.

TEN MILLIONS SUBSCRIBED FOR
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H.M. THE KING APPEALS FOR
CONTINUAL FUNDS.

London, April 18.

His Majesty the King has written
a letter to the Times, expressing
great satisfaction that the Fund of
the Red Cross Society and the Order
of St. John has reached the immense
total of £10,000,000 sterling, and
congratulating the Times upon it.

His Majesty says:—

"I am especially proud of the
notion generously displayed by
British Overseas. I am informed
of the munificence with which
the American Red Cross has sup-
ported the British Red Cross. Never
was the need for a continu-
ance of the ministrations of
the Red Cross more urgent. I
earnestly trust that the Joint
Committee, with the powerful help
of the Times and the Press, will
Home and Overseas, will be en-
abled, until victory is won, and
the peace of the world assured,
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sick and prisoners, whose welfare
has our unflinching sympathy and
our heartfelt sympathy."

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WEDNESDAY,
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TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAK TWIN BEDSTEPS, CURTAINS, CARPETS, &c., &c., AND AN ASSORTMENT OF USEFUL HOUSEHOLD GOODS, As follows:—
Arm-chairs and Chesterfield Sofas, Card Tables, Upholstered Suites, &c., Bedroom Furniture, comprising Double Bedstead and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Desk and Chair, Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Tea and Occasional Tables, &c., Dinner Services, Crockery, Glass, Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, Toilet Sets, &c., Bath Room Fittings, Sundry Electro-Plated Ware.
Electric Reading Lamp, Blackwood and Teakwood Screens, Blackwood Furniture, including large Blackwood Screen with 5 Coloured Panels, Side Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, &c., &c., Engravings, Pictures, Kinkasan and Brass Vases, &c., &c., Tennis Rackets and Net, Iron Safe, Several Carpets, &c., &c.

LIQUEURS:—comprising Chartreuse, Orange Curacao, Creme de Menthe, Grand Marier, Triple Sec, Anisette, Kummel, Maraschino, &c., &c.
About 50 dozens of Syrup, Tamarind, Citron, Pine-apple, &c., &c.
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Hongkong, April 18, 1918. 541

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the Government),

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SATURDAY,
the 20th April, 1918, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF SHIP'S STORES, WINES, SPIRITS, LIQUEURS, &c., &c.
Owing to the large number of lots the above sale will be continued on MONDAY the 22nd instant at 10.30 a.m.
Only the Wines, Spirits, Liqueurs, and Syrups will be sold on SATURDAY; the balance, consisting of the tinners' Provisions, Jams, &c., will follow on MONDAY at 10.30 a.m.
Terms:—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, April 19, 1918. 524

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Administrator of the Estate of WILLIAM CHARLES PURCHASER deceased to sell by Public Auction,

on
MONDAY,
the 23rd day of April, 1918, at 11 Noon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES
Situate at Ma-tau-kok, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1102, and Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1103.
The Properties consist of:—
Lot 1.—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Ma-tau-kok in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1104.
This Lot has an area of 150,000 sq. ft. or thereabouts and is held for the unexpired residue of the term of seventy-five years (renewable) created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 23rd day of November, 1901 subject to an annual Crown rent of \$350.
Lot 2.—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Ma-tau-kok aforesaid and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1103.
This Lot adjoins Lot 1, has an area of 45,000 sq. ft. or thereabouts and is held for the unexpired residue of the term of seventy-five years (renewable) created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 23rd day of November, 1901 subject to an annual Crown rent of \$250.

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Hongkong, April 17, 1918. 538

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Hongkong, April 17, 1918. 537

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
10.30 a.m.—Auction of Ship's Stores, Wines, Spirits, &c. at Hughes & Houghs.
3 p.m.—Marathon Race.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

TUESDAY, April 23.—St. George's Day Celebrations.
9.15.—First Performance of "The Witness for the Defence."
WEDNESDAY, April 24.—Noon—Hongkong Tramway Company Meeting.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture at Messrs. Hughes and Houghs.
THURSDAY, April 25.—9.15.—Second Performance of "The Witness for the Defence."
FRIDAY, April 26.—Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
SATURDAY, April 27.—9.15.—Third Performance of "The Witness for the Defence."
MONDAY, April 29.—Noon—Sale of Kowloon leasehold properties by Messrs. Hughes and Hough.
MONDAY, May 6.—Noon—Extraordinary General Meeting of Hongkong Ice Company.

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CHINA'S TRADE PROSPERITY.

THE Report compiled by Mr. F. E. TAYLOR, Statistical Secretary of the Chinese Maritime Customs—the salient features of which we reproduced in last night's *China Mail*—certainly bears out Mr. TAYLOR's claim that "the war has shown very plainly that the foreign trade of China is no delicate exotic, prone to shrivel and wither unless constantly warmed by the rays of prosperity, but a hardy and rapidly growing plant that needs but little encouragement to expand and is ready to adapt itself to the most unpromising circumstances."

Notwithstanding the very serious impediments to trade which are imposed by the necessities of the great war, the value of the direct foreign trade of China was the highest on record, measured in terms of silver and gold. It was H.K. \$14,248,043 above the figure for 1916, and, reduced to sterling at the average for the two years, the foreign trade in 1917 shows an improvement of re-lose upon £53,000,000. An examination of the list of imports shows that not only values but quantities were higher, while in the case of exports it is found that the smaller values of only two articles, tea and sesame seed, more than cover the deficiency. As special and temporary causes were responsible for reduced export of these two articles, Mr. TAYLOR rightly claims that the statement is justified that the foreign trade of China showed astonishing vitality under most unfavourable conditions. Foreign merchants and manufacturers will note with much interest that in view of the development of various industries in China leading to an increasing demand for machinery of many descriptions, the Customs Administration made inquiries at the various ports for the purpose of ascertaining the kinds most in use at present, and the Report furnishes a list which cannot be without value for the foreign merchant and manufacturer. The information the Report gives of the development of industries, old and new, in China, makes very interesting reading, and indicates that steady development in this direction may be confidently counted on. Foreign trade has nothing to fear from this, but, on the contrary, will have much to be thankful for. In course of time the lines of foreign trade may change, but the volume of trade will continually grow. For proof of this, if it is not self-evident, we have only to turn to the history of the foreign trade of Japan, which notwithstanding—rather because of—the astonishing industrial development which has taken place in that country is greater to-day than ever it was. The success of every new enterprise in China is bound to make for the expansion of industrial development, and every year reveals new projects aiming at Chinese and foreign co-operation which are likely to add or later to materials. If only China

could agree upon a settlement of her political troubles, which would save the country from the civil war which involves so much disturbance of trade and so much expense to the State, and concentrate on economic development and the unification of the currency, it is patent to everybody that China with her immense resources could rapidly make her commerce of far greater importance in the markets of the world. In the devastating war in Europe there is a great call and a great opportunity to China to make the most of her resources for the benefit of the whole world, and, slow though she is in her response, the present activities of several of her foremost men—Mr. LIANG SHIH YI and TANG SHAO YI in particular—lead us to hope and believe that the very near future will see industrial and economic development in China progressing far more rapidly than has been the case down to the present time.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The second Gymkhana meeting has been fixed for Saturday, May 11th.

Exchange opened a farthing lower to-day, the demand rate being 3s 1½d.

The City of Manila is facing a serious gas crisis, owing to a lack of crude oil.

Twelve cases of cerebro-spinal fever were reported in the Colony yesterday. There were eight deaths.

An Organ Recital is to be given by Mr. E. J. Chapman at Union Church on Monday evening. Mrs. A. G. Gordon will be the vocalist.

A Peking telegram to our Chinese contemporary reports a rumour of "new diplomatic relations between China and Japan," but adds that "the rumour is not yet confirmed by the Government."

The Hongkong Schools have been holding their annual athletic sports at the Race course to-day. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn C.M.G. distributes the prizes at 5.30 this evening.

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club has again decided to invite non-members to become bathing members for the Summer Season, extending from May to October inclusive. A pier is again being built and a row of family bathing boxes is being erected on the Club lawn. A ladies' shower bath has also been installed.

Manila, like Hongkong, has had its auction of seats for a theatrical performance in aid of the Red Cross Fund. The Frawley Co. is in Manila, and they were to give a performance yesterday for the benefit of the Red Cross. An auction of boxes at the Elks Club brought in P. 26,000, in the short space of two hours, "and that was only a beginning," says a Manila paper.

Dr. Percy Dearmer, whose approaching visit to Hongkong is being looked forward to, besides being the author of many religious works, has also written on social questions. His pamphlets "Socialism and Christianity," "The reform of the Poor Law," and others, have run into several editions, while during the war he has written "England and Russia, 1915," and "Patriotism, 1915."

PRESENTATION TO REV. W. T. FEATHERSTONE AND MR. PIERCY.

During the course of a musical evening at the Seamen's Institute last night, Mr. H. Sykes, on behalf of the members of St. Peter's Church, presented to the Rev. W. T. Featherstone and Miss Benson, who are to be married to-morrow, a silver butter dish and knife and a silver tea strainer. Later on, Miss Lander, in the absence of Bishop Lander, presented on behalf of the Church congregation a handsome rug and an umbrella to Mr. and Mrs. Piercy, who are shortly leaving the Colony.

There was a young man of Kowloon who passed the Branch Store about noon. So dark was his eyes. That he bought all the pills in the "Took" (Took's) (Apologies to the St. Andrew's Society).

THE MAGISTRACY.

PROSECUTIONS BY THE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OFFICE.

EXPORTING BUTTER WITHOUT A PERMIT.

D. Navalli, of 3 Wood Road, was summoned before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, for exporting four pounds of fresh butter on the Kinsan without a permit.

Mr. Tratman, Acting Superintendent of Imports and Exports office prosecuted. Defendant admitted the offence and was fined \$5.

EXPORTING OLD IRON WITHOUT A PERMIT.

Messrs. Choy Lee of 33 Wing Woo Street was summoned before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, for exporting 56 piculs of old iron without a permit.

Mr. Stevenson, for the defence, explained that the whole offence arose through the export permit being incorrectly filled in. The firm Choy Lee had permission to export a certain quantity of old iron but owing to an error on the part of a broker, the complete amount was not stated.

Mr. Dyer Ball imposed a fine of \$25.

A partner in the firm of On Tai & Co. of 12 Kwang Yuen Street West, was summoned before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, for exporting 4,200, cabbies of old iron without a permit from the Imports and Exports office.

Mr. E. J. Gist, defending, said the defendant applied for a permit and was told that if he brought the metals in a lighter to the Harbour office to be inspected, a permit would be issued to him. After the metals had been taken there a permit was given him which he thought gave him permission to export.

As a matter of fact the goods were not really examined and should have remained there until the permit had been signed by a European officer.

Mr. Dyer Ball took a serious view of the matter stating that the defendant should have ascertained whether the permit was correct before removing the goods. He imposed on defendant a fine of \$100.

THEFT OF IRON PIPING.

A Chinese, pleaded guilty when charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with the theft of iron piping the property of the Star Ferry Co. Sergeant Tulloch, said he arrested the defendant in Nathan Road on Wednesday night, as the man was unable to render a satisfactory explanation of his being in possession of the metal.

Mr. Robertson of the Star Ferry Co., said the piping was a spare attachment to the launch's boiler. He considered the theft serious in view of the present great difficulty of replacing this piping.

His Worship sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour.

DANGEROUS GOODS.

Fines of \$30 and \$1 were imposed on a Chinese and his servant who were brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, charged with being in possession of 26 lbs. of blasting powder without a permit.

Defendant's excuse was that he required the powder for blasting rocks in his quarry at Kowloon City. He did not know it was necessary to obtain a permit.

AN OLD EXCUSE.

A Chinese was charged with being in unlawful possession of ten tins of prepared opium not government opium. A revenue officer stated that he searched the defendant's luggage and found the opium concealed in a bag. The defendant's excuse was that he was merely carrying the bag for another man.

THIEF SENT TO PRISON.

Two Chinese were charged this morning, with the theft of a box containing clothing and money to the value of \$45 from a married woman in Shanghai Street, yesterday.

It was alleged that the defendants broke into the complainant's house during her absence and stole the box of clothing and money. An alarm was raised and the defendants were afterwards discovered in a house in Shanghai Street. They were arrested.

Complainant's husband said he discovered the defendants in the end house of Shanghai Street. The first defendant had the box open before him and was throwing the contents on the floor. He was stuffing the money in his pockets when witness came on the scene. The second defendant, a blind man, sat on one side of the room

doing nothing. When defendant saw witness he ran away. Chase was given and defendant was eventually arrested by a Police reservist.

Sergeant Murphy said the defendant dropped all the money he stole on the ground during the chase. Out of the \$30 stolen only 92 cents were recovered. After further evidence, His Worship discharged the blind man and sentenced the other defendant to three months' hard labour.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING.

A Japanese was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with cutting and wounding another Japanese at Wanchai, yesterday.

Inspector Sim said the complainant had been stabbed four times in the back, and produced a dagger which the defendant used.

Defendant admitted the charge and was remanded until next Tuesday.

THE OPERATIONS AGAINST GENERAL LUNG CHAI KWONG.

CANTON, April 17.

The Intelligence Bureau Canton, sends the following statement:—

The attempt of Tuan Chi-jui and his military party to incite internal disturbance in Kwangtung by bribing the Liang Kwang Director of Mines, Ex-Governor Lung Chi-kwang, to rebel against the Canton authorities so as to interfere with the programme of the Constitutionalists opposing the North is now frustrated. Li Chia-pin, the head of the rebellious forces and second to Lung, has been taken prisoner.

Lung's rebels may have to evacuate Kachow, before the Ching Ming season is over as forecasted by the Intelligence Bureau a week ago. Tsai Chun-hua, formerly Chief of Canton Water Police, and another agent of Lung were shot as spies at Swatow the other day, according to official advice just received.

General Li Lieh-chun, formerly Tutch of Kiangsi, now operating against Lung, has reported the capture of Tien-pai City, taking 1,200 rebels and a large amount of arms and ammunition.

General Li Chin-yuen, until recently Civil Governor of Shenai and who is also fighting Lung, considers the defeat of Lung possible within twenty days.

Yunnan troops now in Canton have been detailed to guard the borders and strategic points between Kwangtung and Kiangsi, which is enabling the Canton authorities to pay more attention to operations directly against the North.

TEA CULTIVATION IN CHINA.

AN ENTERPRISE ON MODERN LINES.

Mr. F. E. Taylor, Statistical Secretary of the Chinese Customs, in his review of the foreign trade of the country in 1917, says:—

"It is interesting to hear that the old-established Chinese firm, the Him Shun On Company, has floated the China Tea Company for the purpose of growing and manufacturing tea on modern lines. The company is said to have acquired large tracts of land in the Ningchow district in the Kiangsi province and to have built a factory equipped with machinery that has been carefully designed, through a course of experiments, to turn out tea that will appeal to foreign taste. The idea is to advertise this absolutely pure Chinese tea, free from all adulteration with Indian or Ceylon leaf and made under strictly sanitary conditions, by putting it up in suitable packages. The times are not favourable for starting the enterprise, but it is to be hoped that the new departure may revive the demand for a product that is less deleterious than its much-advertised competition."

Mr. Taylor mentions in regard to the tea trade in general that the total kinds of all tea exported in 1917 was only 1,125,335 piculs. "The lowest recorded since the trade was developed, and particularly disappointing for a year of fine quality."

Manila papers mention that Mrs. Harrison, wife of the Governor-General, has filed a suit for divorce in San Diego, California, on the technical ground of desertion. Mrs. Harrison, who was in the Philippines for about three years, returned to the United States in 1916, the climate not agreeing with her. Since then she has urged her husband to join her, but the latter has found it impossible to accede to her wishes because of his public duties, the President having urged him to remain here after the entrance of the United States into the war. When war was declared against Germany, Governor General Harrison had completed arrangements to return to the United States.

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SPORTING.

TO-MORROW'S MARATHON RACE.

By the kind permission of Major Morgan and the Officers of the regiment, the Band of the 18th Infantry will play in Queen's Statue Square from about 2.45 p.m. and the during the running of the Race to-morrow.

Driver Gheba, Khan, Mule Corps, takes place of No 22, Saddler Jan Ram, Mule Corps, the latter having been taken ill.

Pace-making at the forthcoming Marathon Race is prohibited. Any competitor who once drops out will not be permitted to again come into the race for the purpose of pace-making.

Mr. T. F. Hough, Assistant Superintendent of Police, (R.) will act as an assistant Judge.

The Umpires will be wearing white police uniform, and will therefore wear red bands, instead of white bands, on the left arm.

CRICKET.

R.E. v. 83 Co. R.G.A.

In the semi-final for the S.O. Cricket Shield, the R.E. easily defeated their opponents on the 14th inst. at Happy Valley, their third wicket partnership producing 141.

R.E. v. 83 Co. R.G.A.

McGregor, c. Hall, b. Perkins ... 60
Reakes, b. Atwood ... 11
Adams, b. Atwood ... 11
Waller, b. Perkins ... 9
Pascall, not out ... 3
Gordon, not out ... 0
Extras ... 16

Innings declared ... 164
Osborne, Millard, Crippwell, Crippwell, Clarke and Heath did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Atwood ... 13 ... 1 ... 30 ... 1
Atwood ... 11 ... 1 ... 36 ... 1
Sharpe ... 5 ... 1 ... 18 ... 1
Dix ... 4 ... 1 ... 18 ... 1
Middleton ... 2 ... 1 ... 18 ... 1
Mann ... 2 ... 1 ... 18 ... 1
Perkins ... 3 ... 1 ... 15 ... 2

83rd Co. R.G.A. INNINGS.
Green, l.b.w. b. Crippwell ... 1
Perkins, b. Reakes ... 4
Dix, b. Reakes ... 4
Atwood, l.b.w. b. Crippwell ... 10
Atwood, c. Millard, b. Crippwell ... 10
Mann, b. Reakes ... 1
Pascall, b. Crippwell ... 2
Halls, b. Crippwell ... 4
Middleton, not out ... 6
Sharpe, c. Clarke, b. Crippwell ... 19
Hawley, b. Crippwell ... 8
Extras ... 6

Total ... 48

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Reakes ... 9 ... 2 ... 36 ... 3
Crippwell ... 9 ... 2 ... 14 ... 7

TENNIS.

There was again a good attendance at the R.E. C.C. ground yesterday evening to witness the various games of the Tournament, which resulted as follows:—

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.—H. Hancock beat A. L. Bouet, 6-1, 6-1, 6-0.
Tew Man Teun beat M. Sugita, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.
A. H. Rumjahn beat S. A. Hamid, 6-3, 6-3, 6-0.
M. K. Lo beat P. K. Wong, 7-5, 7-4, 6-2.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.—J. R. Wood and O. Thorne (rec. 12) beat L. Col. Crisp and H. E. Murray (ave 36), 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

MIXED HANDICAP DOUBLES.—Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt and Mrs. Nisbet (ave 12-3) beat O. C. Stark and Mrs. Stark (rec. 2/0), 6-3, 6-5.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A".—E. Abraham (rec. 2/6) and F. E. Joseland (rec. 3/6) did not finish.

Nine games are fixed for this evening, of which, perhaps, that between Ng Sze Kwong and Capt. Milner Jones, in the open Championship Singles, will prove the most interesting.

YACHTING.

R.E.Y.C. and C.Y.C.

A race for English Rigged Cruisers for the "Niobe Cup," takes place to-morrow and Sunday.

The yachts start to-morrow Saturday at 3 p.m. from C.Y.C. starting line to Discovery Bay, where a finishing line will be defined by the Committee motor launch (flying a white flag) and a red flag ashore. Distance 9 miles. Yachts must pass the Committee launch on their port bow before starting.

The race back starts on Sunday morning at 10 a.m. to Lai Chi Rok (foriffin) passing between Chung Hui and Stonecutters. Distance: 7 miles.

In the afternoon, at an hour to be notified at the anchorage, back to the C.Y.C. Distance 4 miles.

The handicaps are:—

Yachts	Handicaps	Recall
La Cigale	Scratch	28
Albat	10 seconds	28
Vesper	1.00	24
Norseman	1.45	35
Westwind	1.50	35
Feathers	1.50	35
Eryndor	1.50	35
Evadne	2.00	31
Mist	2.00	31
Breude	2.00	31
Irene	2.20	35
Edith	2.20	35
Queen Bee	2.30	36

Owners are requested to be particularly careful regarding the recall numbers allotted, the handling of these being a speciality of the starter appointed.

A CURRENCY LOAN FOR CHINA.

It is reported from Peking that the Cabinet has passed in principle a Currency Loan of \$20,000,000 from Japan. A condition of the loan is the employment of Mr. Parnock (I) as Adviser who will exercise strict supervision over the use of the money.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. L. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

STRENGTH.

No. 968 Pte. H. M. Webb was enrolled on 13.4.18 and posted to "A" Company, No. 2 Platoon.

No. 967 Sapper F. J. Parata was enrolled on 13.4.18 and posted to Engineer Company.

No. 968 Sapper M. M. Murray was enrolled on 13.4.18 and posted to Engineer Company.

No. 968 Pte. E. F. Reid was enrolled on 13.4.18 and posted to "B" Company, No. 1 Platoon.

No. 970 Sapper L. F. Leon was enrolled on 17.4.18 and posted to Engineer Company.

No. 930 Pte. J. H. Shaw, "D" Company, is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

No. 151 Spr. H. S. Coelho, Engineer Coy., is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony, dated 20th February, 1918.

No. 134 Pte. A. Loughlin, M. G. Coy., is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

LEAVE.

Lieut. H. R. B. Hancock, "A" Coy., is granted leave for the duration of the war, from 3.10.

2nd Lieut. T. H. Matthewsman, Eng. Coy., is granted one year's leave, from 30.4.18.

2nd Corp. E. C. Norris, Eng. Coy., is granted 3 months' leave, from 1.5.18.

Gr. E. M. Patterson, "A" Coy., is granted leave for the duration of the war dated 26th May, 1918.

Pte. H. M. Finget, M. G. Coy., is granted leave for the duration of the war from 30th April, 1918.

Pte. D. A. Gubbay, "B" Coy., is granted 3 months' leave, from 2.5.18.

Pte. G. Harper, M. G. Coy., is granted 3 weeks' leave, from 26.5.18.

Pte. J. D. Douglas, "D" Coy., is granted 12 months' leave, from 23.5.18.

ATTACHED.

TELEGRAMS.

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PRESS CORRESPONDENTS' REPORTS.

A CEASELESS TRICKLE OF GERMANS.

DRIFTING TOGETHER LIKE QUICKSILVER.

LONDON, April 18. Mr. Percival Phillips, a Press Correspondent, describes the German methods of attack on the Western Front in his account of the heroic stand of certain English units who prevented the enemy from breaking through between Meteren and St. Rassele and kept repelling the rushes throughout the night. The Germans dribbled in, a few men at a time, fresh parties coming along despite the slaughter of their predecessors. The ceaseless trickle of grey among the khaki uniforms resulted in accumulations at certain pockets, no matter how fast the British worked the guns. Sometimes these pockets, drifting together like particles of quicksilver, would suddenly become a formidable menace on a flank. The incessant flow of the Germans in twos and threes was one occasion built into a machine-gun attack on one of the British Headquarters, whose Staff was working at high pressure in a cottage, and found itself in the local "No Man's Land" with bullets pattering the walls. A relief force nipped the German advance just as it was about to enter the cottage. Frequently, the line was shifted so quickly that the units in the rear found themselves in front, and a company of Germans would be stranded, enclosed by khaki. A feature of the battle is the heroism of the British transport drivers loading ammunition, sometimes only a few hundred yards from the German machine-guns, supplying the front line with food and driving throughout with the greatest calm amidst the constant bombardment.

Mr. Phillips says the slaughter of the Germans at Meteren was unprecedented. Bodies were piled on the roadside lining the hedges. He emphasises that in straightening the Tasschendaele salient all the guns were removed. Ammunition was removed or destroyed, and nothing of value was left.

HURRICANE OF FIGHTING SUBSIDING.

WITHDRAWAL ACCOMPLISHED BY MASTERLY SKILL.

LONDON, April 17, 10.35 p.m. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—

The opinion general amongst the troops in the past 24 hours is anything but good for the enemy, despite his successes at Bailloult, Bavelberg and Messines Ridge. The last-named has been largely neutralised because of "at what a price!" Our withdrawal east of Ypres was accomplished by masterly skill, the net result of which has been to greatly stiffen the power of resistance, whilst forcing the enemy to lengthen his communications across unfavourable terrain.

The bitter intensity of the fighting, which has progressed since yesterday morning, lulled during the forenoon. The hurricane artillery duel has subsided into spasmodic outbursts with intervals of comparative calm. We have taken a goodly number of prisoners during the past two days.

There are signs that another attack is coming between Bailloult and Wytschate. Doubtless, the enemy is determined, after the heavy sacrifices he has paid, to get Wytschate and to make another onslaught again to remove us from there.

Yesterday and last night there was a sharp conflict at Boyelles, south of Arna, but it is quiet to-day. Our positions are being fully held. The fierce shelling of Ypres and Bretteux led to expectations of an infantry assault, but this has not yet materialised.

FRENCH BOMBARD ENEMY LINES.

GERMAN DESIRE PINNED ON AMIENS.

LONDON, April 17, 9.35 p.m.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday, says:—

Although there have been no important battles from Hangoard to Noyon for several days, the activities were reciprocal. Enemy concentrations north of the Somme indicate that the enemy has not abandoned the hope of a break-through to Amiens. The French have maintained their artillery supremacy. The enemy front lines of communications were continuously bombarded, paralysing their attempts to fortify positions, breaking up convoys and impeding the establishment of hostile batteries. Meanwhile, we are organising our positions in readiness for Boche onslaughts.

AERIAL SUPREMACY OF THE FRENCH.

REMARKABLE ACTIVITY.

LONDON, April 17.

The French aviators have done magnificently. During nine days and nights they dropped 73 tons of bombs on the enemy and railway and munition centres. During the same period 31 enemy aeroplanes and three balloons were shot down on the battle-field. Immense attacks were made by our fleets of aeroplanes, as many as eighty machines engaging at a time, on a troop train and troops on the march, which were machine-gunned from an altitude of 50 to 300 feet. One squadron's work on the 12th included 330 flights, fighting enemy planes in 120 air fights, in which eight enemy machines were brought down and 23 forced down damaged. Five balloons were destroyed and five damaged. Forty-eight tons of explosives were dropped on various expeditions in which the Italian squadrons participated.

A STRENUOUS DAY.

BALANCE HEAVILY IN OUR FAVOUR.

LONDON, April 18.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

Yesterday was a strenuous time for our infantry in co-operation with the French, who are now engaged in the northern battle area. The day was satisfactory, the record balancing heavily in our favour. German waves dashed against our lines at half-a-dozen places but only at Beuvenshill did they force us to yield ground, which a counter-attack regained.

The heaviest onslaughts were south-east of Kemmel Hill, west of Merris and two attempts north-west of Wulverghem.

The enemy's grand objective is undoubtedly the domination of the ridge system from Cassel Hill to Wytschate. While the Germans have not made any definite gains, their losses have been appalling. Our gunners, anticipating the enemy's occupation of the evacuated Passchendaele salient, prepared to give him a warm reception and when the German infantry advanced over the dreary waste, the great cemetery in the cockpit of Europe gathered another ghastly toll.

In a German attack, nearer the coast, it is specially noteworthy at this stage of the campaign, that the enemy employed four Divisions, namely, the Marin Infantry, one Bavarian Division and two Prussian Divisions.

SALONIKA OPERATIONS.

ENEMY FIGURES OF BRITISH CASUALTIES DENIED.

LONDON, April 18.

A wireless German official report states:—

The Bulgarians on the Struma Plain captured 155 English prisoners and some Greeks.

The War Office, commenting on this, states the total British casualties on the Struma were considerably less than the number of prisoners claimed.

COUNT CZERNIN HONOURED.

GERMANS PLEASED WITH NEW APPOINTMENT.

AMSTERDAM, April 18.

The Emperor Karl has written to Count Czernin expressing his warm thanks for his past services, and conferring on him the brilliancy of the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Stephen.

The German papers welcome Baron Burián's appointment as a convinced supporter of the Alliance policy.

THE REASONS FOR THE RESIGNATION.

BUDAPEST, April 18.

The resignation of the Cabinet immediately was due to the impossibility of reaching an agreement on the Franchise question, but the appointment of Baron Burián was also contributory. It is stated that the Premier, Dr. Wokierle, favoured the appointment of Count Andrássy.

VIENNA PAPERS PLEASED.

AMSTERDAM, April 18.

The Vienna newspapers regard Baron Burián's appointment as guaranteeing the closest Austro-German Alliance without restrictions.

HUNGARIAN CABINET RESIGNS.

AMSTERDAM, April 18.

A message from Budapest states that the Hungarian Cabinet has resigned.

MAN-POWER BILL PASSES SECOND STAGE IN LORDS.

LORD LANSDOWNE ON GOVERNMENT'S "DOUBTFUL WISDOM."

LONDON, April 18.

In the House of Lords, in the course of the discussion on the Man-Power Bill, Lord Lansdowne heartily welcomed the measure. Our duty, he stated, was to help and encourage to the utmost the gallant Army. He said he felt very strongly on the matter. He was ready to throw over many of his old notions and antagonisms. That could now be done without inconsistency or harming the pledges given under different and less serious circumstances. At the same time Lord Lansdowne described conscription in Ireland as "doubtful wisdom."

Lord Derby, replying on the Man-Power debate, for the Government, emphasised the great gravity of the present situation. Any minimising of its gravity would, in his opinion, be disastrous. At the same time he desired to emphasise that although one must have the greatest anxiety he was still quite confident as regards the result. He supported conscription in Ireland because he believed that the Government would get from it a number of young men that would more than fill up the casualties sustained since March 21. The House of Lords passed the second reading of the Man-Power Bill.

HOME RULE BILL.

THE COMMITTEE DRAFTING IT.

LONDON, April 18.

The Cabinet Committee drawing up the Home Rule Bill consists of ten members, namely, the Rt. Hon. Mr. Walter Long, Rt. Hon. Mr. A. Chamberlain, Rt. Hon. Mr. H. E. Duke, Sir G. Cave and Lord Curzon (Unionists); Dr. B. Addison, Rt. Hon. Mr. Herbert Fisher, Sir Gordon Hewart (Liberals); Rt. Hon. Mr. G. N. Barnes (Labourite); and Mr. Souls (Independent).

UNIONISTS WANT IMMEDIATE FEDERAL HOME RULE.

A protracted meeting of the Unionist War Committee, Lord Salisbury presiding, passed no resolution, but it is understood that there was a substantial agreement in favour of immediate Federal Home Rule for the United Kingdom, giving Ulster the option of being a separate unit.

SIR EDWARD CARSON ASKS ULSTER TO ACCEPT CONSCRIPTION.

Sir Edward Carson presided at a meeting of the Irish Unionists. He denied that he had recommended Ulster to accept the whole of the Government's Irish policy. He said that he advised Ulster to support conscription in Ireland.

GERMAN ADVANCE IN RUSSIA.

RAILWAY COMMUNICATION TO PETROGRAD CUT.

STOCKHOLM, April 18.

The German troops, which landed at Lovisa, have advanced to Lahti, between Tammerfors and Viborg, cutting the railway communication to Petrograd.

LORD DERBY'S NEW APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, April 18.

The Press Bureau announced that Lord Derby has been appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary with a Special Mission to France, in succession to the Rt. Hon. Lord Bertie.

LORD MILNER APPOINTED WAR SECRETARY.

LONDON, April 18.

The Press Bureau announces that Lord Milner has been appointed Secretary of State for War.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN JOINS WAR CABINET.

LONDON, April 18.

The Press Bureau announces that Mr. Chamberlain has been appointed a member of the War Cabinet.

SALUTARY EFFECT OF ALLIED AIR-RAIDS.

ENEMY SUGGESTION TO CONFINE THEM TO WAR ZONE.

AMSTERDAM, April 18.

In the Reichstag the Socialist, Herr Geck, suggested the making of an agreement to cease all air-raids outside the war zone.

A Government representative replied that Germany's opponents had not yet requested a stoppage, but if they did it would be examined.

U-BOAT WARFARE.

BRITISH SHIPPING RETURNS.

LONDON, April 17.

The Admiralty furnishes the following figures of British shipping for the week:—

Arrivals	2,211
Departures	2,436
Vessels sunk (over 1,600 tons)	11
Vessels sunk (under 1,600 tons)	4
Vessels unsuccessfully attacked	12
Fishing vessel sunk	1

FRENCH SHIPPING RETURNS.

PARIS, April 17.

The French shipping returns are as follow:—

Arrivals	1,051
Departures	1,063
Vessels sunk (over 1,600 tons)	nil
Vessels sunk (under 1,600 tons)	1

ITALIAN SHIPPING RETURNS.

LONDON, April 17.

The Italian returns are:—

Arrivals	394
Departures	332
Vessels sunk (over 1,500 tons)	1
Sailing vessel sunk (over 100 tons)	1
Unsuccessfully attacked	1

THE SITUATION IN PALESTINE.

TURKS CONSIDERABLY REINFORCED.

GERMAN ASSISTANCE.

LONDON, April 18.

Reuter's Correspondent at Palestine Headquarters, telegraphing on the 12th says:—

As the Turks are being pressed back upon the main line south of Nablis and Talkeran, on which the possession of northern Palestine depends, their resistance by men and guns is being constantly strengthened.

The enemy has been considerably reinforced from Mesopotamia, and also by German troops. A percentage of the latter is being brigaded with the Turks for stiffening them. The enemy's artillery is stronger than at any time in the present operations. He is spending ammunition more freely.

Our centre lies in the hilly country south-west of Nablis, where the enemy had established a sort of line with the shallow trenches at Sangar.

Enemy activity is reported on the whole Palestine front.

Eastward of the Jordan the enemy attacking the bridgehead of Ghoraniyah was caught by our artillery fire and suffered heavily.

Our mounted troops pursued the enemy taking 13 prisoners. Many of the enemy are lying dead on the ground.

An attack northward of Wadira was repulsed.

The enemy repeatedly attacked between Beirakin and Rafat in very stubborn fighting and reached Beirakin, but later on were driven out and the position restored.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

ALLIED GENERALS CONFIDENT.

"WE HAVE LOST TERRITORY BUT NOTHING VITAL."

GENERAL FUCH "ABSOLUTELY CONFIDENT."

LONDON, April 17.

In the course of his speech in the Irish debate in the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George, alluding to the situation at the Front, said there would be fluctuations of hope and despondency. We should have both for some time yet, "but," he added, "I am still full of confidence." (Cheers.) I have just seen a distinguished General from the Front and he told me that he saw the Generals who were fighting. That gallant old General Plumer (loud cheers)—one of the doughtiest warriors of this country—is facing great odds, but he is quite confident. (Loud cheers.) We have lost territory, but we have lost nothing vital. (Cheers.) That is the view not merely of our Generals; it is the view of General Foch and General Plumer, who are equally calm and equally confident.

General Foch was seen also this afternoon by the distinguished General who is now waiting for me. General Foch is absolutely confident. (Cheers.) The enemy are aiming at destroying the British Army. They feel that if they could only get this arm out of the way their path would be clear to victory. They have not yet got it out of their way. (Cheers.) They have inflicted, I am sorry to say, heavy losses, but nothing compared to the losses they have sustained. The French Army is intact and the American Army is pouring across. There may be hope, there may be despondency; but if we stand together firmly and steadfastly, not giving way to fear or panic, but prepared to give and take in all measures—if all parties in Great Britain and Ireland stand together, the Irishmen in Ireland fighting with the Irishmen who are coming by the million across the flood to fight brigaded with British troops—if we do that we will win through in the end. (Tremendous cheers.)

THE GREAT STRUGGLE.

UNPRECEDENTED GUN FIRE.

LONDON, April 17.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, writing to-day, says:—

In the course of three years' experience of this war I have never heard such terrific and unintermittent gun fire as has been going on since yesterday afternoon and is still proceeding. It is like the roar of a factory full of high-speed machinery, parts of which are constantly crashing through the roof and the walls. The battle is raging with incredible intensity.

But notwithstanding the weight and desperation of the attacks, the enemy has not gained further ground. Perhaps the best news was last night when we were advancing in the neighbourhood of Wytschate. Early yesterday the enemy heavily and determinedly attacked the Damstraesse line where he was beaten off. Our artillery dispersed large bodies concentrating for another attempt. The Damstraesse sector is midway between Hollebeke and St. Eloi.

Among the many attacks yesterday, one of the greatest was against the Zillebeke sector. Here the enemy's massed waves were shot down like mown hay. They were ordered to retire whereupon our gunners got them in the flanks with open sights. The slaughter was appalling.

The famous leaning Virgin of Albert Cathedral was shot down by the Germans yesterday.

FRENCH EFFECT SEVERAL COUPS.

LONDON, April 17.

A French communiqué says:—

There has been fairly great reciprocal artillery activity and patrol encounters on the front of the Somme and Oise.

We effected several coups de main, notably south-west of Butte du Mesnil, in the region of Tahure and north of Flines. We took prisoners.

An enemy attack east of Samogreux, on the right of the Meuse, failed.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, April 18.

A wireless German official message states:—

We have captured Poelcapelle and Langemark.


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INTERESTING ITEMS

FROM ALL QUARTERS.

A SURGICAL GLOVE.

A surgical glove has been invented which will enable a man who has lost the use of the tendons in the back of the hand to be able to write just as well as if he had those tendons there. This invention was made by surgeon-General Sir Francis Treherne recently.

NEW SOURCE OF PAPER SUPPLY.

South Africa has discovered a new source of paper supply. About 40,000 tons of bark of the wattle tree are exported annually from South and East Africa for use in our tanneries, and experiments conducted by the Imperial Institute show that the bark, after the tanning properties have been removed, is capable of being converted into excellent brown paper or mill board. The wood of the wattle tree, from which the bark has been removed, is also a source of paper.

SUNSHINE MAGIC.

How the colour of flowers can be changed by regulating the amount of sunlight they receive was shown by Colonel H. E. Dawson in a lecture at the Royal Colonial Institute.

By experiments in screening plants at selected intervals of daylight changes of colour had been effected without any possibility of cross-breeding. Yellow, scarlet, and crimson transformed into purple, as well as into one another; while variations of form had also been produced.

Within two years, he said, a clump of dahlias had been transformed into a purple variety, and they were now growing freely in his Hertfordshire garden. With the change of colour marked changes had occurred in the foliage. The scent also changed with the colour.

Experiments on nasturtiums produced multicoloured flowers, splashed with mauve, brown and green, on the same plant. Twelve poppy plants were screened, and eleven became double. The double form resembled a pink and white carnation, and one plant had three tiers of seven flowers each, one above the other.

PHOTOGRAPHING SPEECH.

Professor D. Jones at a meeting of the Modern Language Association spoke of remedies for mistakes of pronunciation, and illustrated by lantern slides some experiments with an artificial palate. This palate is a device which is placed in the mouth. The tongue takes away the chalk from the place it touches in making a given sound; thus the exact part of the roof of the mouth that must be touched is discovered. The shape which the tongue takes is recorded by an apparatus described as a "mouth measure."

Wonderful X-ray photographs of tongue positions were shown on the screen. In order to obtain these, the subjects of the experiment had to be made opaque. In one photograph a little chain had been placed through the nose, over the soft palate, and touched the larynx.

"It must have been very uncomfortable," said Prof. Jones who added that the photographs were the first of their kind that had been taken in England. They had been taken previously in a country that should be nameless, but English photographs were much better.

THE "CAISSON DISEASE."

Soldiers are often found dead on the battlefield with no mark of an injury. Some are lying with arms outstretched as if in running; others are grasping their guns as though about to fire—all are in exactly the positions in which they were at the moment of death.

These mysterious deaths do not occur as a result of nervous shock, else the bodies would be relaxed and natural. They are victims of "the bends" or "caisson disease" caused by sudden release from great air pressure.

When a workman emerges from a high-pressure air chamber, explains a writer in *Popular Science Monthly*, his blood fills with small bubbles, like those of champagne when first uncorked. If the bubbles are large enough to choke the circulation the man dies. On the battlefield such occurrences are the result of intense explosion waves. The blood holds in solution a considerable amount of air and carbon dioxide, the quantities being greater when the pressure is high.

Upon lowering the pressure, the gases separate out as bubbles. In the case of soda water, the bubbles can escape, but in a man they are caught in the capillaries. All muscular action is arrested with lightning-like rapidity, thus preserving the attitude held by the victim before the fatal attack.

A CONAN DOYLE STORY.

The creator of Sherlock Holmes tells an amusing story against himself. During a lecture tour through the United States he arrived one day in Boston, and was considerably astonished when a cabman noticed him and addressed him by name.

"How do you know who I was?" said Sir Conan Doyle, much interested, and not a little flattered by the recognition.

"If you'll excuse my saying so," said the cabman, "the 'lapels of your coat

look as if they had been grabbed by New York reporters, your hair looks as if it had been cut in Philadelphia, your nose looks as if you had had to stand your ground in Chicago, and your right shoe has evident Buffalo mud under the instep, and—"

"Well, replied the cabman, "I saw 'Conan Doyle' in big white letters on your trunk!"

BLISTERS BY HYPNOTIC SUGGESTION.

That blisters can actually be produced on the skin by means of hypnotic suggestion alone is the claim made by Dr. J. Arthur Hadfield, temporary surgeon, R.N., describing some recent experiments in the London Lancet.

Getting the consent of a seaman patient at the Royal Naval Hospital, Chatham, to try the experiment, Dr. Hadfield hypnotized the man and then suggested to him that his arm was being touched with a red-hot iron and that a blister would form on the spot. The arm was then covered with a bandage pinned on with a safety-pin, and the patient was seated with his arm raised and the bandage removed, showing a small blister on the elbow. This gradually developed during the day to form a large bleb with an area of inflammation around.

In two other experiments the skin was actually touched with a red-hot iron. In the first instance the surgeon suggested that there would be no pain and in the second that there would be the usual pain of a blister. The first blister was perfectly painless, had practically no area of inflammation around it, and healed very rapidly. The second blister was painful from the first, was surrounded by a reddened area and took longer to heal.

From the fact that the blister which was rendered painless by hypnosis healed so quickly, Dr. Hadfield suggested that hypnosis by rendering wounds and certain painful conditions, such as pleurisy, less painful, might with advantage be made part of the treatment of such conditions.

THE PASSING OF THE MERCHANT.

POST-WAR TRUSTS AND COMBINES.

Efforts to bring producers and consumers into direct contact and the concentration activities of the governments under stress of war threaten to eliminate the merchant.

The parcels post and the mail order houses have already hit the middlemen and the retail dealer. The army and the postal authorities are now considering the conveyance on a large scale of farm products by motor trucks.

British Board of Trade is active in establishing post-war trusts and industrial combines. The *London Economist* protests that the Board "has no right, especially at such a time as this, to recast British trade with our money and its own theories."

"These theories," it adds, "ninety per cent. of us would heartily repudiate, and it will be a gross injustice and abuse of power if the war is made an excuse for forcing such socialistic nostrums down our throats." For good or for evil the war is working a complete transformation in industry, in social and economic conditions of the world.

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